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A SUICIDE GENE

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

**Confirmation No. 8977**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action, dated May 1, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 3 of this paper.

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## **AMENDMENT**

### **Amendments to the Specification**

Please replace paragraph [0001] with the following:

[0001] This ~~application~~ is a ~~division~~ Divisional application of U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/916,017, filed Jul. 26, 2001, ~~now U.S. Pat. No. 6,759,394~~. The development of this invention was partially funded by the Government under grant CA69148 awarded by the National Institute of Health. The Government has certain rights in this invention.